

INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

The City of Belmont invites sealed bids for public project construction described as: Ralston Avenue Corridor Improvement Project Segments 1 & 2. The public project construction is more specifically defined in the Contract Documents, but generally includes the following items of work: Pavement rehabilitation, slurry seal, Signing and striping, curb ramps, sidewalk, signal modification, Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon installations, and Class 1 bicycle paths. Pedestrian and bicycle improvements along Ralston Avenue between US 101 NB off ramp and South Road, Emmett Avenue between El Camino Real and 6th Avenue, El Camino Real between Ralston Avenue and Emmett Avenue, Old County Road between Ralston Avenue and Masonic Way, Masonic Way between Hiller and Old County Road, 6th Avenue between El Camino Real and Emmett Avenue, Twin Pines Park Class 1 bicycle pathway from South Road to the east of Twin Pines Park.

1. **PRE-BID CONFERENCE.** A **non-mandatory** pre-bid conference is scheduled for 10:30a.m., April 16, 2019, at 1 Twin Pines Ln, Suite 385, Belmont, California.

All Bidders are urged to attend so that their bid is not rejected due to lack of adequate documentation. Any statements made at the pre-bid conference do not constitute changes in the Contract Documents. Amendments to the Contract Documents can only be accomplished by means of addenda issued by the Director of Public Works or his designee ("Engineer").

2. **BID SUBMITTAL, WITHDRAWAL, IRREVOCABILITY.** Bids must be submitted on the bid forms supplied by the City. SEALED BIDS must be received at the City of Belmont, City Clerk's Office, 1 Twin Pines Lane, Suite 375 Belmont, CA 94002 (hereinafter the City) by April 30, 2019 at 2:00 PM local time ("Bid Deadline"), at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened. Bids received after the bid deadline will not be accepted. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that its bid package is duly delivered. Bidders are solely responsible for the cost of preparing their bids. No bidder may withdraw its bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for bid opening, except as provided in Public Contract Code Section 5101 *et seq.*
3. **ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE.** The Engineer's estimated total construction cost for this Contract is \$2,460,000. This estimate is intended to serve merely as a guideline of the magnitude of work. Neither the bidders nor the contractor shall be entitled to claims because of any inaccuracy in the estimated cost range.
4. **CONTRACT TIME; LIQUIDATED DAMAGES.** The construction Work is to be completed within a total of one hundred twenty (120) working days after the date specified in the City's Notice To Proceed. The City will assess liquidated damages in the amount of **\$2,000** for each and every working day of delay in finishing the work in excess of the contract time.

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5. **REQUIRED CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE(S).** Under Business & Professions Code Section 7028.15 and Public Contract Code Section 3300, all bidders must possess proper licenses for the performance of the work contemplated by the Project. Failure to possess the specified license(s) at the time of bidding will render the bid non-responsive. Contractors must possess a valid California class A contractor's license for this contract. Firms bidding as a joint venture must secure a joint venture license before award of this contract.
6. **DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS REGISTRATION REQUIRED.** No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project (submitted on or after March 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations under Labor Code section 1725.5 or submitting a bid as part of a joint venture authorized by Business and Professions Code Section 7029.1 or by Public Contract Code Section 10164 and 20103.5, provided the contractor is registered to perform public work under Section 1725.5 at the time the contract is awarded. No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for the project (awarded on or after April 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations under Labor Code section 1725.5. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.
7. **CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.** Bidders may obtain the bidding documents including Plans and Specifications, at Belmont City Hall, Department of Public Works, One Twin Pines Lane, Suite 385, Belmont, CA for a non-refundable charge of \$30 in the form of a check payable to City of Belmont. Add an additional \$10 for postage if bid package is to be mailed. Plans are also available on line at ebidboard.com and at Peninsula Builders Exchange.
8. **BONDS AND INSURANCE.** Bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the Bid Amount must accompany the Bid in accordance with Public Contract Code Section 20170. After award of the contract, the successful bidder must provide security for faithful performance and labor and materials (payment bond) as well as proof of insurance, in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Contract Documents. Bonds must be executed by a surety possessing a valid certificate of authority issued by the California Department of Insurance.
9. **SECURITIES SUBSTITUTION.** At the request and expense of the Contractor to whom the Contract is awarded, securities in a form approved by the City will be permitted in substitution for money withheld by the City to ensure performance under the Contract, as provided in Public Contract Code Section 22300.
10. **PREVAILING WAGE.** This project is a public work under Labor Code Section 1770, *et seq.*, and the successful bidder will be required to comply with certain labor standards and employment requirements including payment of the prevailing wage rates in effect on the date this Invitation for Sealed Bids was first published. Copies of the prevailing wage rates can be viewed at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD/> and are on file with the Engineer at the address identified below, and shall be made available to any interested party upon request.

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11. **SHORING AND BRACING.** If the construction involves trenches or open excavations, which are five feet or deeper, each bid submitted in response to this Invitation for Sealed Bids must contain, as a bid item adequate sheeting, shoring, and bracing, or equivalent method, for the protection of life and limb in trenches and open excavation which shall conform to applicable safety orders, as required by Labor Code Section 6707.
12. **SPECIFIC BRAND NAME MATERIALS.** All bidders are hereby notified, in accordance with Public Contracts Code Section 3400, that no “equal” substitution will be considered by the City for any of the following materials, products, things, or services: traffic signal controller and software, and accessible pedestrian signal system. The basis for this determination is that the specified materials, products, things, or services are necessary because: they are required to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion.
13. **WAIVER OF IRREGULARITIES.** The City reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any or all Bids, to waive minor irregularities or defects in bidding and to reject nonconforming, nonresponsive or conditional bids.
14. **INQUIRIES.** If any bidder has questions regarding this Project, contact the Engineer: Justin Lai, Associate Civil Engineer, Department of Public Works, One Twin Pines Lane, Ste. 385, Belmont, CA 94002, (650) 637-2998, fax# (650) 593-8394, jlai@belmont.gov

Any questions addressing the interpretation or clarification of the Contract Documents shall be in writing.